## AWARD CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

PURCHASING DIVISION 100 N. ANDREWS AVENUE, 6TH FLOOR FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 (954) 761-5140

City Commission Approval 4/11/00 Pur-3	Period Covered: 4/11/00 – 4/10/01	Contract No.: 702-8256-1
Vendor: MBE_ National Groundcover, Inc. 10576-A Hagen Ranch Road Boynton Beach, FL 33437	WBE	Invoice To: City of Fort Lauderdale Accounts Payable 100 N. Andrews Avenue Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301
Attn: Patrick Booth 800-860-8238 Fax 561-732-1082	******	Payment Terms: Net 30 Delivery: 1 Day

## **MULCH (RECYCLED)**

Installation

Magic Rainbow Mulch-Brown, Grade A+

Truckload Less than truckload

\$ 13.45/cu.yd. 13.45/cu.yd. 15.00/cu.yd.

Minimum order: 20 cu.yds.

Surcharge of \$1.50/sq.yd installed for roadwork

Insurance Coverage Required: Yes X No \_

Authorized for Purchases: Under \$25,000 \_ Over X

Extension Options: Yes X No Years: 4

We hereby accept this award and all terms, conditions, and specifications of the bid referenced,

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Bid No. 702-8256.

Authorized Signature and Title

5-8-00

Date

Department Contract Co-Ordinator: Kathy Connor, Parks Division, (954)761-5869

Procurement Specialist: Richard Ewell, CPPB

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## NOTICE TO ALL CUSTOMERS OF NATIONAL GROUNDCOVER, INC.

Date: May 28, 2002

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In early May 2002, National Groundcover, Inc. sold, assigned and transferred its blow-on mulch business, blow-on trucks, existing contracts with customers and the "National Groundcover" name all to Amerigrow Recycling-Delray Limited Partnership and its affiliate, Mulching Solution, Corp.

Amerigrow Recycling has been in business for many years at its location of 10320 West Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach, Florida and it has been a primary source and manufacturer of mulch products which have been utilized in the South Florida area by many companies which provide landscape and mulch services to municipalities and other users of mulch.

Now, the National Groundcover name will be associated not only with the availability of the same blow-on mulch equipment, but it is combined with the strength associated with sourcing the material from the original manufacturer of the mulch and soil compost products. The purpose of this letter is to provide notice to all of the customers of National Groundcover, Inc. that "National Groundcover" continues to exist and it will honor all existing contracts which were made with the previous owners of National Groundcover, Inc.

This letter is to also provide a cautionary warning to you that certain former employees of National Groundcover, Inc., have gone to work with a competing company which may provide blow-on services and they are fraudulently misrepresenting to existing customers of National Groundcover that they have taken over the business of National Groundcover, or that National Groundcover contracts will not be honored. In addition, they are using magnetic signs on their trucks to cover over their real name with a name similar to "National Groundcover" in order to further the deception. These are falsehoods which not only are violating existing contractual relations and business relationships, but they represent bad faith and completely unethical business conduct which our clients believe should not be tolerated by any responsible business person or governmental entity.

This law firm is confirming to all customers of National Groundcover, Inc. that Amerigrow Recycling-Delray Limited Partnership and its affiliates holds all rights to the use of the name "National Groundcover" and that it holds all legal rights and assignments to any contracts which existed with National Groundcover, Inc. Any individuals or representatives of any other landscaping or blow-on mulching companies who represent anything to the contrary to you are simply lying to you and you are requested to report such activity to Amerigrow Recycling and National Groundcover by calling their office at (561) 499-8148.

Any business inquiries concerning your existing contracts or concerning your desire to seek out new bids or future services from National Groundcover are certainly welcome and such inquiries should also be directed to Amerigrow Recycling and National Groundcover at the same referenced telephone number.

To verify the matters set forth in this letter, the legal instrument by which all existing contracts and the National Groundcover name were assigned to Amerigrow, is attached.

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I. Barry Blaxberg

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cc: Amerigrow Recycling-Delray Limited Partnership
Mulching Solutions Corp. d/b/a National Groundcover